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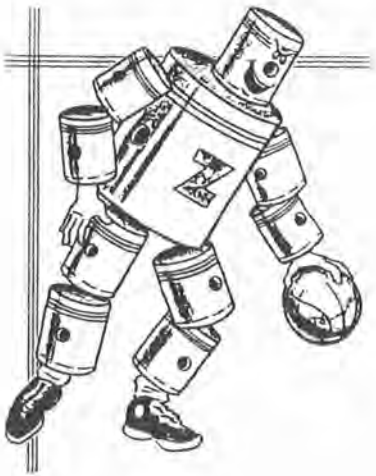

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FRED ZOLLNER.....President
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COLORS.....Red, White and Blue

TEAM ROSTER

FORT WAYNE PISTONS

COACH — CHARLEY ECKMAN

Name	Age	Height	Weight	Residence	College
Atha, Richard	25	6'2"	195	Otterbein, Indiana	Indiana State
Bales, William	24	6'3"	200	Columbus, Ohio	Eastern Kentucky
Christensen, Cal	29	6'5"	220	Toledo, Ohio	Toledo
Devlin, Walter (Corky)	24	6'5"	205	Newark, New Jersey	George Washington
Foust, Lawrence	28	6'9"	245	Fort Wayne, Indiana	LaSalle
Houbregs, Robert	25	6'7"	220	Seattle, Washington	Washington
Hutchins, Mel	27	6'6"	205	Sacramento, California	Brigham Young
Kenville, William	25	6'2"	185	Elmhurst, New York	St. Bonaventure
Lieblor, Joe	22	6'4"	190	Bronx, New York	Holy Cross
Mays, Bob	24	6'5"	203	Chicago, Illinois	Wilson Junior College
Moran, Don	24	6'4"	200	Baltimore, Maryland	Maryland
Noble, Charles (Chuck)	25	6'4"	195	Akron, Ohio	Louisville
Schulz, Fritz	27	6'5"	205	Fort Wayne, Indiana	Tulane
Shue, Gene	25	6'2"	170	Baltimore, Maryland	Maryland
Spears, Marion (Odie)	31	6'5"	205	Louisville, Kentucky	Western Kentucky
Thieben, William	21	6'7"	215	Sayville, New York	Hofstra
Yardley, George	27	6'5"	190	Anaheim, California	Stanford

Name: Walter Devlin
Nickname: Corky
Ht. 6-5; Wt. 205
Year as pro: 2
School: George Washington
Hometown: Newark

Name: Lawrence Foust
Nickname: Big 'un
Ht. 6-9; Wt. 245
Year as pro: 7
School: LaSalle
Hometown: Fort Wayne

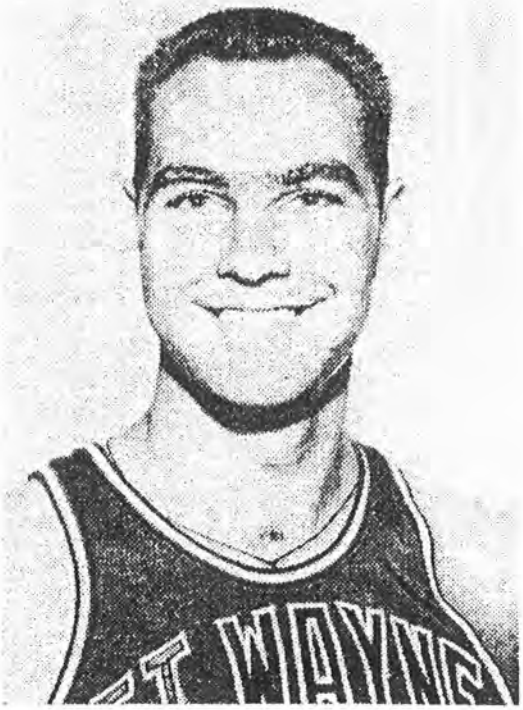
Name: Robert Houbregs
Nickname: Tubes
Ht. 6-7; Wt. 220
Year as pro: 4
School: Washington
Hometown: Seattle

Name: Mel Hutchins
Nickname: Hutch
Ht. 6-6; Wt. 200
Year as pro; 6
School: Brigham Young
Hometown: Sacramento

Name: William Kenville
Nickname: Billy The Kid
Ht. 6-2; Wt. 185
Year as pro: 4
School: St. Bonaventure
Hometown: Syracuse

Name: Charles Noble
Nickname: Chuck
Ht. 6-4; Wt. 195
Year as pro: 2
School: Louisville
Hometown: Akron

Name: Ephraim Rocha
Nickname: Red
Ht. 6-9; Wt. 215
Year as pro: 9
School: Oregon State
Hometown: Syracuse, N. Y.



Name: Dick Rosenthal
Nickname: Rosy
Ht. 6-4½; Wt. 205
Year as pro: 2
School: Notre Dame
Hometown: St. Louis, Mo.

Name: Gene Shue
Nickname: Shifty
Ht. 6-2; Wt. 170
Year as pro: 3
School: Maryland
Hometown: Baltimore

FOLLOW THE PIST

Name: William Thieben
Nickname: Bill
Ht. 6-7; Wt. 215
Year as pro: 1
School: Hofstra
Hometown: Sayville, N. Y.

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Name: George Yardley
Nickname: Bird
Ht. 6-5; Wt. 195
Year as pro: 4
School: Stanford
Hometown: Anaheim, Calif.

Player Roster

JESSE ARNELLE

Born December 30, 1933. Height 6.5. Weight 220.
Alma Mater—Penn State '55.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
55-56—Ft. Wayne	31	402	164	52	.317	69	43	.623	170	28	60	0	147	4.7

RICHARD ATHA

Born September 21, 1931. Height 6.2. Weight 195.
Alma Mater—Indiana State '53.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
55-56—New York	25	288	88	36	.409	27	21	.778	42	32	39	0	93	3.7

DON BIELKE

Height 6.8. Alma Mater—Valparaiso '54.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
55-56—Ft. Wayne	7	38	9	5	.556	7	4	.571	9	1	9	0	14	2.0

FRANK BRIAN

Born May 1, 1923. Height 6.1. Weight 180.
Alma Mater—Louisiana State '45.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
47-48—And-N L	59	....	....	226	....	213	158	.742	....	....	148	....	608	11.3
48-49—And-N L	64	....	....	216	....	276	201	.728	....	....	144	....	632	9.8
49-50—Anderson	64	....	1150	368	.318	488	402	.824	....	....	189	192	1138	17.8
50-51—Tri-Cities	68	....	1127	363	.322	508	418	.825	244	266	215	4	1144	16.8
51-52—Ft. Wayne	66	2072	972	342	.351	433	367	.848	232	233	220	6	1051	15.9
52-53—Ft. Wayne	68	1910	699	245	.351	297	236	.795	133	142	205	8	726	10.7
53-54—Ft. Wayne	64	973	352	132	.375	182	137	.753	79	92	190	9	401	6.3
54-55—Ft. Wayne	71	1381	633	237	.380	295	217	.851	127	142	133	0	691	9.7
55-56—Ft. Wayne	37	680	263	78	.297	88	72	.818	88	74	62	0	228	6.2
Totals	561	7616	5192	2206	.340	2740	2208	.806	903	1138	1419	26	6679	11.9

CAL CHRISTENSEN

Born June 6, 1927. Height 6.5. Weight 210.
Alma Mater—Toledo '50.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
50-51—Tri-Cities	67	....	445	134	.301	245	175	.714	523	101	266	19	443	6.6
51-52—Milwaukee	24	374	96	29	.302	57	30	.526	82	34	47	2	88	3.7
52-53—Rochester	59	777	230	72	.313	114	68	.596	199	54	148	6	212	3.6
53-54—Rochester	70	1654	395	137	.347	261	138	.529	395	107	196	7	412	5.9
54-55—Rochester	71	1204	305	114	.374	200	124	.602	388	104	174	2	352	5.0
Totals	291	4009	2471	486	.205	883	535	.205	1587	400	831	39	1507	5.2

CHARLES COOPER

Height 6.5. Weight 215. Alma Mater—Duquesne '50.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
50-51—Boston	66	....	601	207	.344	267	201	.753	562	174	219	7	615	9.3
51-52—Boston	66	1876	545	197	.361	201	149	.741	502	134	219	8	543	8.2
52-53—Boston	70	1994	466	157	.337	190	144	.758	439	112	258	11	458	6.5
53-54—Boston	70	1101	261	78	.299	116	78	.672	304	74	150	1	234	3.3
54-55—Milwaukee	70	1749	569	193	.339	249	187	.751	385	151	210	3	573	8.2
55-56—Ft. Wayne	67	1144	308	101	.328	133	100	.752	239	89	140	0	302	4.5
Totals	409	7964	2750	933	.339	1156	859	.742	2431	734	1196	35	2725	6.7

WALTER (CORKY) DEVLIN

Born December 21, 1931. Height 6.5. Weight 195.
Alma Mater—George Washington '55.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
55-56—Ft. Wayne	69	1535	541	200	.370	192	146	.740	171	138	119	0	546	7.9

LARRY FOUST

Born June 24, 1928. Height 6.9. Weight 250.
Alma Mater—LaSalle '50.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
50-51—Ft. Wayne	68	....	944	327	.346	396	261	.659	681	90	247	6	915	13.5
51-52—Ft. Wayne	66	2615	989	390	.394	394	267	.678	880	200	245	10	1047	15.9
52-53—Ft. Wayne	67	2303	865	311	.360	465	336	.723	769	151	267	16	958	14.3
53-54—Ft. Wayne	72	2693	919	376	.409	475	338	.712	987	101	258	4	1090	15.1
54-55—Ft. Wayne	70	2264	818	398	.487	513	393	.766	700	118	264	9	1189	17.0
55-56—Ft. Wayne	72	2024	821	367	.447	555	432	.778	648	127	263	7	1166	16.2

JIM HOLSTEIN

Born September 24, 1930. Height 6.3. Weight 180

Alma Mater—Cincinnati '52.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
52-53—Minn.	66	989	274	98	.358	105	70	.667	173	74	128	1	266	4.0
53-54—Minn	70	1155	288	88	.306	142	84	.591	204	79	140	0	260	3.7
54-55—Minn.	62	980	330	107	.324	99	67	.743	206	58	107	0	281	4.5
55-56—Ft. Wayne	27	352	89	24	.270	37	24	.649	76	38	51	1	72	2.7
4 Yrs.	225	3476	981	317	.323	383	245	.647	659	249	426	2	879	3.9

JOHN HORAN

Born November 24, 1932. Height 6.8. Weight 190.

Alma Mater—Dayton '55.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
55-56—Minn.	12	92	42	12	.286	11	10	.909	10	2	21	0	34	2.8

BOB HOUBREGS

Born March 12, 1932. Height 6.8. Weight 225.

Alma Mater—Washington '53.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
53-54—Baltimore	70	1970	562	209	.372	266	196	.714	375	123	209	2	608	8.7
54-55—Bal.-Bos.-Ft. Wayne	64	1326	386	148	.383	182	129	.709	297	86	180	3	425	6.6
55-56—Ft. Wayne	70	1535	575	247	.430	383	283	.739	414	159	147	0	777	11.1

MEL HUTCHINS

Born November 22, 1928. Height 6.6. Weight 205.

Alma Mater—Brigham Young '51.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
51-52—Milwaukee	66	2018	633	231	.365	225	145	.644	880	190	192	5	607	9.2
52-53—Milwaukee	71	2891	842	319	.379	295	193	.654	793	227	214	5	831	11.7
53-54—Ft. Wayne	72	2934	736	295	.401	223	151	.677	695	210	229	4	741	10.3
54-55—Ft. Wayne	72	2860	903	341	.378	257	182	.708	665	247	232	0	864	12.0
55-56—Ft. Wayne	66	2240	764	325	.425	221	142	.643	486	180	166	1	792	12.0

BILL KENVILLE

Born December 1, 1930. Height 6.2. Weight 190.

Alma Mater—St. Bonaventure '53.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
53-54—Syracuse	72	1405	535	140	.384	182	136	.747	247	122	188	0	416	5.8
54-55—Syracuse	70	1589	482	172	.357	201	154	.766	247	150	182	1	498	7.1
55-56—Syracuse	72	1778	448	170	.379	257	195	.759	215	150	182	0	535	7.4

CHUCK NOBLE

Born July 24, 1931. Height 6.4. Weight 195.

Alma Mater—Louisville '55.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
55-56—Ft. Wayne	72	2019	767	270	.352	195	146	.749	261	282	253	3	686	9.5

EPHRIAM ROCHA

Height 6.9. Weight 185. Alma Mater—Oregon State '47.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
47-48—St. Louis	48	....	740	232	.314	213	147	.690	....	39	207	....	611	12.8
48-49—St. Louis	58	....	574	223	.389	211	162	.768	....	157	251	....	608	10.5
49-50—St. Louis	65	....	679	275	.405	313	220	.703	....	155	257	....	770	11.8
50-51—Baltimore	64	....	843	297	.352	299	242	.809	511	147	242	9	836	13.1
51-52—Syracuse	66	2543	749	300	.401	330	254	.770	549	128	249	4	854	12.9
52-53—Syracuse	69	2454	690	268	.388	310	234	.755	510	137	257	5	770	11.2
54-55—Syracuse	72	2473	801	295	.368	284	222	.782	489	178	242	5	812	11.3
55-56—Syracuse	72	1883	692	250	.361	281	220	.783	416	131	244	6	720	10.0

RICHARD ROSENTHAL

Height 6.4. Weight 205. Alma Mater—Notre Dame '54.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
54-55—Ft. Wayne	67	1466	523	197	.377	181	130	.718	300	103	179	3	524	7.8

GENE SHUE

Born December 18, 1931. Height 6.2. Weight 175.

Alma Mater—Maryland '54.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
54-55—New York	62	947	289	100	.346	78	59	.756	154	89	64	0	259	4.2
55-56—New York	72	1750	625	240	.384	237	181	.764	212	179	111	0	661	9.2

MARION (ODIE) SPEARS

Born June 26, 1925. Height 6.5. Weight 205.
Alma Mater—Western Kentucky '48.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
48-49—Chicago	57	....	631	200	.317	197	131	.665	....	97	200	....	531	9.3
49-50—Chicago	57	....	775	227	.357	230	158	.687	....	159	250	....	712	10.5
51-52—Rochester	66	1673	570	225	.395	152	116	.763	303	163	225	8	566	8.6
52-53—Rochester	62	1414	494	198	.401	243	199	.819	251	113	227	15	595	9.6
53-54—Rochester	72	1633	505	184	.364	238	183	.769	310	109	211	5	551	7.7
54-55—Rochester	71	1888	585	226	.386	271	220	.812	299	148	252	6	672	9.5
55-56—Ft. Wayne	72	1378	468	166	.355	201	159	.791	231	121	191	2	491	6.8

WILLIAM THIEBEN

Height 6.7. Weight 215. Alma Mater—Hofstra '56.

GEORGE YARDLEY

Born November 3, 1928. Height 6.5. Weight 195.
Alma Mater—Stanford '50.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
53-54—Ft. Wayne	63	1489	492	209	.425	205	146	.712	407	99	166	3	564	9.0
54-55—Ft. Wayne	60	2160	869	363	.418	416	310	.745	594	126	205	7	1036	17.3
55-56—Ft. Wayne	71	2353	1067	434	.407	492	365	.742	686	159	212	2	1233	17.4

MAX ZASLOFSKY

Born December 7, 1925. Height 6.2. Weight 170.
Alma Mater—St. John's (NY) '49.

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
46-47—Chicago	61	....	1020	330	.329	278	205	.737	....	40	121	....	877	14.4
47-48—Chicago	48	....	1156	373	.323	338	261	.784	....	29	125	....	1007	21.0
48-49—Chicago	58	....	1216	425	.350	413	347	.840	....	149	186	....	1197	20.6
49-50—Chicago	68	....	1132	397	.351	381	321	.843	....	155	185	....	1115	16.4
50-51—New York	66	....	853	302	.354	298	231	.775	228	136	159	3	835	12.7
51-52—New York	66	2113	958	322	.336	389	287	.755	194	156	183	5	931	14.1
52-53—New York	20	320	133	123	.384	142	98	.690	75	55	81	1	344	17.9
53-54—Bal-Milw-Ft. Wayne	65	1881	756	278	.368	357	255	.714	160	154	142	1	811	12.5
54-55—Ft. Wayne	79	1862	821	269	.328	352	247	.702	191	203	130	0	785	11.2
55-56—Ft. Wayne	9	182	81	29	.358	35	30	.857	16	16	18	1	88	9.8
Totals	519	6709	8113	2854	.343	3969	2282	.768	864	1093	1201	11	7990	14.8

Players' Playoff Records

FRANK BRIAN

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
49-50—Anderson	8	....	96	26	.271	48	43	.896	....	19	24	....	95	11.9
51-52—Ft. Wayne	2	81	24	6	.250	6	5	.833	6	9	10	0	17	8.5
52-53—Ft. Wayne	8	146	42	13	.310	25	19	.760	9	11	23	1	45	5.6
53-54—Ft. Wayne	4	100	36	15	.417	16	11	.688	12	10	7	0	41	10.3
54-55—Ft. Wayne	11	269	120	48	.400	38	31	.816	22	27	26	0	127	11.5
55-56—Ft. Wayne	10	166	68	26	.382	21	17	.810	12	17	15	0	69	6.9
Totals 43		778	386	134	.347	154	126	.818	61	93	105	1	394	9.2

CAL CHRISTIANSEN

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
52-53—Rochester	2	13	3	0	.000	4	3	.750	4	1	5	0	3	1.5
53-54—Rochester	6	137	28	10	.357	22	12	.545	35	15	16	0	32	5.3
54-55—Rochester	3	30	8	2	.250	6	3	.500	6	0	1	0	7	2.3
Totals 11		180	39	12	.308	32	28	.875	45	16	22	0	42	3.8

CHARLES COOPER

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
50-51—Boston	2	....	12	4	.333	5	2	.400	13	3	8	....	10	5.0
51-52—Boston	3	128	25	8	.320	19	17	.895	16	4	17	2	33	11.0
52-53—Boston	6	195	48	19	.396	27	22	.815	39	14	27	2	60	10.0
53-54—Boston	6	108	16	8	.500	11	8	.727	31	4	21	1	24	4.0
55-56—Ft. Wayne	9	59	26	5	.192	3	2	.667	17	2	5	0	12	1.3
Totals 26		490	127	44	.346	65	51	.785	116	27	78	5	139	5.3

WALTER DEVLIN

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
55-56—Ft. Wayne	10	275	101	41	.406	25	15	.600	21	23	21	0	97	9.7

LAWRENCE FOUST

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
50-51—Ft. Wayne	3	....	45	14	.311	10	8	.800	37	5	5	....	36	12.0
51-52—Ft. Wayne	2	77	23	12	.522	7	6	.857	30	5	8	1	30	15.0
52-53—Ft. Wayne	8	332	121	48	.397	68	57	.838	111	6	34	2	153	19.1
53-54—Ft. Wayne	4	129	41	11	.268	25	19	.760	38	7	21	2	41	10.3
54-55—Ft. Wayne	11	331	152	60	.395	73	52	.712	107	26	43	0	172	15.6
55-56—Ft. Wayne	10	289	130	49	.377	89	70	.787	127	14	38	2	168	16.8

JAMES HOLSTEIN

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
52-53—Minn.	12	192	42	20	.476	20	12	.522	30	11	30	0	52	4.3
53-54—Minn.	13	188	49	15	.306	23	16	.696	35	11	28	0	46	3.6
54-55—Minn.	7	117	38	16	.421	9	8	.889	30	6	8	0	40	5.7
Totals	32	497	129	51	.395	55	36	.655	95	28	66	0	138	4.3

ROBERT HOUBREGS

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
54-55—Ft. Wayne	11	213	63	24	.381	37	29	.784	62	10	31	0	77	7.0
55-56—Ft. Wayne	10	217	78	30	.462	44	31	.705	67	14	21	1	103	10.3

MEL HUTCHINS

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
53-54—Ft. Wayne	4	162	46	15	.326	17	12	.706	37	6	18	1	42	10.5
54-55—Ft. Wayne	11	417	144	60	.417	56	38	.679	80	31	47	3	158	14.4
55-56—Ft. Wayne	10	377	112	34	.304	41	25	.610	88	23	27	1	93	9.3

WILLIAM KENVILLE

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
53-54—Syracuse	13	374	74	36	.486	62	44	.710	48	25	46	1	116	8.9
54-55—Syracuse	11	130	48	17	.354	49	36	.735	31	11	23	1	70	6.4
55-56—Syracuse	8	138	45	16	.356	23	16	.696	17	14	21	0	48	6.0

CHUCK NOBLE

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
55-56—Ft. Wayne	10	261	92	29	.315	17	16	.941	30	41	30	1	74	7.4

EPHRAIM ROCHA

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
47-48—St. Louis	7	....	118	29	.246	30	22	.733	....	6	30	....	80	11.4
48-49—St. Louis	2	....	36	16	.444	5	4	.800	....	6	6	....	36	18.0
51-52—Syracuse	7	276	95	41	.432	51	37	.725	18	10	36	3	119	17.4
52-53—Syracuse	2	107	26	10	.385	14	11	.786	17	7	11	1	31	15.5
54-55—Syracuse	11	371	110	46	.418	58	44	.759	74	14	45	1	136	12.4
55-56—Syracuse	8	189	68	23	.338	26	22	.846	52	15	37	3	68	8.5

RICHARD ROSENTHAL

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
54-55—Ft. Wayne	11	209	84	27	.321	39	28	.718	48	26	39	1	82	7.5

EUGENE SHUE

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
54-55—New York	3	49	17	8	.471	7	6	.857	12	4	5	0	22	7.3

MARION SPEARS

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
48-49—Chicago	2	....	26	7	.269	7	4	.571	....	2	9	....	18	9.0
49-50—Chicago	2	....	22	9	.409	10	5	.500	....	1	11	....	23	11.5
51-52—Roch.	6	123	33	10	.303	16	9	.563	21	9	18	0	29	4.8
52-53—Roch.	3	62	19	8	.421	5	4	.800	12	0	12	1	20	6.7
53-54—Roch.	6	121	28	8	.286	14	12	.857	13	8	17	1	28	4.7
54-55—Roch.	3	90	25	12	.480	16	11	.688	14	10	14	1	35	11.7
55-56—Ft. Wayne	10	177	62	20	.323	23	13	.565	29	14	33	0	53	5.3
Totals	32	573	215	74	.344	91	58	.637	89	44	114	3	206	6.4

GEORGE YARDLEY

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
53-54—Ft. Wayne	4	107	33	16	.485	12	10	.833	24	3	10	0	42	10.5
54-55—Ft. Wayne	11	420	143	57	.399	75	60	.759	99	36	37	2	174	15.8
55-56—Ft. Wayne	10	406	183	77	.421	98	76	.776	139	26	25	0	230	23.0

MAX ZASLOFSKY

Sea.—Team	G.	Min.	FGA.	FGM.	Pct.	FTA.	FTM.	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF.	Disq.	Pts.	Avg.
46-47—Chicago	11	....	199	60	.000	44	29	.659	....	4	26	....	149	13.5
47-48—Chicago	5	....	88	30	.341	47	37	.787	....	0	17	....	97	19.4
48-49—Chicago	2	....	49	15	.306	18	14	.778	....	0	3	....	44	22.0
49-50—Chicago	2	....	32	15	.469	18	15	.833	....	0	7	....	45	22.5
50-51—New York	14	....	217	88	.406	108	74	.740	58	38	43	2	250	17.9
51-52—New York	14	505	185	69	.373	110	89	.809	44	23	51	1	227	16.2
53-54—Ft. Wayne	4	98	36	11	.306	15	13	.867	3	6	7	0	35	8.8
54-55—Ft. Wayne	11	129	44	18	.409	20	16	.800	16	18	20	0	52	4.7
Totals	63	732	850	316	.000	374	297	.774	121	101	174	3	909	14.9

SEASON PLAYER RECORDS

FORT WAYNE PISTONS

Player	G	FG Att.	FG Made	FG Pct.	FT Att.	FT Made	Rbnd.	Assists	Per. Fouls	Total Pts.	Avg. Pts.
George Yardley	71	1067	434	.407	492	365	686	159	212	1233	17.4
Larry Foust	72	821	367	.447	555	432	648	127	263	1166	16.2
Mel Hutchins	66	764	325	.425	221	142	496	180	166	792	12.0
Bob Houbregs	70	575	247	.430	383	283	414	159	147	777	11.1
Chuck Noble	72	767	270	.352	196	146	261	282	253	686	9.5
Walter Devlin	69	541	200	.370	192	146	171	138	119	546	7.9
Odie Spears	72	468	166	.355	201	159	231	121	191	491	6.8
Andy Phillip	70	405	148	.365	199	112	257	410	155	408	5.8
Chuck Cooper	67	308	101	.328	133	100	239	89	140	302	4.5
Frank Brian	37	263	78	.297	88	72	88	74	62	228	6.2
Jesse Arnelle	31	164	52	.317	69	43	170	18	60	147	4.7
Max Zaslofsky	9	81	29	.358	35	30	16	16	18	88	9.8
Jim Holstein	27	89	24	.270	37	24	76	38	51	72	2.7
Don Bielke	7	9	5	.556	7	4	9	1	9	14	2.0

TEAM PLAYOFF STATISTICS

Team	G	W	L	FGA	FG	Pct.	FTA	FT	Pct.	Rbnd.	Assists	PF	For	Agst
Philadelphia	10	7	3	930	370	.398	408	306	.750	644	259	272	104.6	98.4
Syracuse	8	4	4	767	287	.374	324	239	.738	486	190	232	101.6	108.0
St. Louis	8	4	4	685	248	.362	352	246	.699	423	162	237	92.8	103.0
Fort Wayne	10	4	6	879	326	.371	386	276	.715	609	209	231	92.8	92.2
Minneapolis	3	1	2	263	116	.441	173	131	.757	175	74	107	121.0	102.3
Boston	3	1	2	289	109	.377	113	87	.770	205	64	73	101.7	98.7

INDIVIDUAL PLAYOFF STATISTICS

FORT WAYNE PISTONS

Player	G	FG Att.	FG Made	FG Pct.	FT Att.	FT Made	Rbnd.	Assists	Per. Fouls	Total Pts.	Avg. Pts.
George Yardley	10	183	77	.421	98	76	139	26	25	230	23.0
Larry Foust	10	130	49	.377	89	70	127	14	38	168	16.8
Bob Houbregs	10	78	36	.462	44	31	67	14	21	103	10.3
Walter Devlin	10	101	41	.406	25	15	21	23	21	97	9.7
Mel Hutchins	10	112	34	.304	41	25	88	23	27	93	9.3
Chuck Noble	10	92	29	.315	17	16	30	41	30	74	7.4
Frank Brian	10	68	26	.382	21	17	12	17	15	69	6.9
Odie Spears	10	62	20	.323	23	13	29	14	33	53	5.3
Andy Phillip	10	27	9	.333	25	11	26	35	16	29	2.9
Chuck Cooper	9	26	5	.192	3	2	17	2	5	12	1.3

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WESTERN DIVISION

Fort Wayne won Western Finals, defeating St. Louis, 3 games to 2

March	31	St. Louis 86 at Fort Wayne 85
April	1	Fort Wayne 74 at St. Louis 84
April	3	St. Louis 84 at Fort Wayne 107
April	5	Fort Wayne 93 at St. Louis 84
April	7	St. Louis 97 at Fort Wayne 102

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Philadelphia defeated Fort Wayne, 4 games to 1.

March	22	Fort Wayne 94 at Philadelphia	98
March	24	Philadelphia 83 at Fort Wayne	84
March	25	Fort Wayne 96 at Philadelphia	100
March	27	Philadelphia 107 at Fort Wayne	105
March	29	Fort Wayne 88 at Philadelphia	99

WOWO BROADCAST OF GAMES AWAY

Wednesday, Jan. 23—St. Louis at Charlotte	8:00 pm
Tuesday, Jan. 29—at St. Louis	8:30 pm
Thursday, Jan. 31—at Minneapolis	8:30 pm
Saturday, Feb. 2—at Rochester	8:30 pm
Sunday, Feb. 3—at Syracuse (afternoon)	3:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 6—at Boston	9:00 pm
Saturday, Feb. 9—at Minneapolis	8:30 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 13—at Philadelphia	8:30 pm
Friday, Feb. 22—Rochester at Philadelphia	7:30 pm
Sunday, Feb. 24—at Minneapolis	8:30 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 27—at Rochester	9:15 pm
Tuesday, March 5—Philadelphia at New York	7:15 pm

1955-56 GAME SCORES

KEY: H—Home Game; V—Away Game; N—Neutral Game; *—Overtime Period

113	Syracuse	114 V*
95	Minneapolis	96 H
79	Rochester	84 N
93	Syracuse	79 H
88	New York	110 N
102	Boston	104 V
115	New York	119 H*
104	Rochester	93 H
82	Philadelphia	87 V
114	St. Louis	106 H*
104	New York	99 V
76	Rochester	87 V
111	Boston	90 H
90	Syracuse	88 N
105	Syracuse	94 H
116	Rochester	117 V*
96	Philadelphia	91 H
85	Minneapolis	98 N
73	Philadelphia	80 V
95	New York	100 H
96	Minneapolis	86 H
92	New York	87 H
83	St. Louis	67 N
83	Rochester	75 H
90	St. Louis	89 N
85	St. Louis	68 H
89	Minneapolis	95 N
82	Philadelphia	102 V
88	Rochester	86 V
92	Philadelphia	81 N
108	St. Louis	97 V
91	St. Louis	96 H
105	Boston	89 H
94	Minneapolis	117 V
104	Minneapolis	99 H
85	Boston	91 N
90	Boston	95 N
90	St. Louis	83 N
92	Philadelphia	91 V
111	Rochester	93 H
101	Boston	100 N
106	Boston	97 V
92	New York	91 V*
99	Philadelphia	85 H
90	St. Louis	98 V
94	St. Louis	98 N
85	Syracuse	90 V
99	Syracuse	98 H
82	Minneapolis	106 V
93	Rochester	97 V
82	Minneapolis	78 H
94	Philadelphia	105 N
78	Philadelphia	101 N
93	Rochester	81 H
84	Syracuse	85 V
89	St. Louis	83 V
82	St. Louis	84 N
102	Rochester	106 N
92	Syracuse	94 V
97	Rochester	72 V
95	Minneapolis	90 V
95	Syracuse	98 H*
99	New York	95 V
99	Boston	106 V
104	New York	97 N
86	St. Louis	92 V
103	Rochester	88 H
95	Minneapolis	98 V
100	Minneapolis	82 H
106	Boston	103 N
96	New York	122 H
96	Minneapolis	100 V
85	St. Louis	86 H
74	St. Louis	84 V
107	St. Louis	84 H
93	St. Louis	84 V
102	St. Louis	97 H
94	Philadelphia	98 V
84	Philadelphia	83 H
96	Philadelphia	100 V
105	Philadelphia	107 H
88	Philadelphia	99 V

FOULS!

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BLOCKING
hands on hips

HELD BALL
thumbs up both hands

NO BASKET
waving arms in front of body at hips

3-SEC. RULE
Violation
arm raised
3 fingers showing

RUNNING
(WALKING)
rotating fists

10-SEC. RULE
Violation
arm raised
clenched fist

OUT-OF-BOUNDS
points direction of play and calls out name of team to receive the ball

PUSHING
arms pushing forward

CHARGING
arms folded on chest

DOUBLE FOUL
arms extended palms front

VIOLATION
right arm waves at waist line – thumb up

HIPPING
right hand on hip

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1956-57 PISTON HOME SCHEDULE

Game 1	Sun.	Oct.	28	Minneapolis Lakers	8 p.m.
Game 2	Sun.	Nov.	4	N. Y. Knickerbockers	8 p.m.
Game 3	Sun.	Nov.	11	St. Louis Hawks	8 p.m.
Game 4	Thurs.	Nov.	15	Boston Celtics	8 p.m.
Game 5	Thurs.	Nov.	22	Rochester Royals	8 p.m.
Game 6	Sun.	Nov.	25	Philadelphia Warriors	8 p.m.
Game 7	Thurs.	Dec.	6	Syracuse Nationals	9 p.m.
				N. Y. vs. Rochester	7 p.m.
Game 8	Sun.	Dec.	9	Rochester Royals	8 p.m.
Game 9	Sun.	Dec.	16	N. Y. Knickerbockers	8 p.m.
Game 10	Sun.	Dec.	23	Boston Celtics	8 p.m.
Game 11	Thurs.	Dec.	27	Minneapolis Lakers	8 p.m.
Game 12	Sun.	Dec.	30	Philadelphia Warriors	8 p.m.
Game 13	Thurs.	Jan.	3	Minneapolis Lakers	8 p.m.
Game 14	Sat.	Jan.	5	N. Y. Knickerbockers—TV	3 p.m.
Game 15	Thurs.	Jan.	10	Boston Celtics	8 p.m.
Game 16	Sun.	Jan.	13	St. Louis Hawks	3 p.m.
Game 17	Sat.	Jan.	26	Philadelphia Warriors—TV	3 p.m.
Game 18	Sun.	Jan.	27	N. Y. Knickerbockers	3 p.m.
Game 19	Mon.	Feb.	4	Philadelphia Warriors	8 p.m.
Game 20	Sun.	Feb.	10	Minneapolis Lakers	8 p.m.
Game 21	Thurs.	Feb.	14	Boston Celtics	9 p.m.
				N. Y. vs. Minneapolis	7 p.m.
Game 22	Sun.	Feb.	17	Rochester Royals	3 p.m.
Game 23	Mon.	Feb.	25	Syracuse Nationals	9 p.m.
				St. Louis vs. Minneapolis	7 p.m.
Game 24	Sun.	Mar.	3	St. Louis Hawks	3 p.m.
Game 25	Fri.	Mar.	8	Minneapolis Lakers	9 p.m.
				St. Louis vs. Rochester	7 p.m.
Game 26	Sun.	Mar.	10	Rochester Royals	3 p.m.